CAPS Infrastructure Report

| Year: | 2011 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| State: | Kansas |
| Cooperative Agreement Name: | Infrastructure Project |
| Cooperative Agreement Number: | 11-8453-1223-CA |
| Project Funding Period: | July 1, 2011-June 30, 2012 |
| Project Report: | CAPS Infrastructure Report |
| Project Document Date: | July 1, 2011-December 31, 2011 |
| Cooperators Project Coordinator: | Laurinda Ramonda |
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| Quarterly Report | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Semi-Annual Accomplishment Report | \boxtimes |
| Annual Accomplishment Report | |

A. Compare actual accomplishments to objectives established as indicated in the workplan. When the output can be quantified, a computation of cost per unit is required when useful.*

ACTIVITIES

Possible Meetings and Outreach Tradeshows as Per Workplan

| Meeting or Tradeshow | Month Planned | Month Occurred | SSC Attended and Where |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| National Plant Board | July | August | No, Denver, CO |
| Great Plains Tree Pest | June/July | July | No, Cheyenne, |
| Council | | | WY |
| Horticulture Inspection | October | October | Yes, Rapid City, |
| Society Meeting | | | SD |
| Central Plant Board | March | | |
| Kansas Natural Resources | February | | No |
| Meeting | | | |
| State CAPS committee | (1-2 times a year) | | |
| meetings | | | |
| Shade Tree Conference | January | January | Yes, Topeka, KS |
| Western Landscape and | January | January | Yes, Olathe, KS |
| Nursery Tradeshow (now | | | |
| called National Green | | | |
| Centre) | | | |
| Topeka Garden Show | February | February | Yes, Topeka, KS |
| Wichita Garden Show | March | No longer being | No |
| | | held | |
| Shawnee County Fair | July | July | Yes, Topeka, KS |
| Pest workshops | various times of year | (See table below) | (See table below) |

Unplanned Meetings or Outreach Tradeshows

| Meeting or Tradeshow | Month Planned | Month Occurred | Attended |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Continental Dialogue on | N/A | October | Yes, Boulder, |
| Non-Native Forest Insects | | | CO |
| and Diseases meeting | | | |
| Great Plains Growers | N/A | January | Yes, St. Joe, MO |
| Conference | | | |
| Planning Section Chief | N/A | December | Yes, Blue |
| Training | | | Springs, MO |

OUTREACH AND EDUCATION

• Shawnee County Fair – July 21-24, 2011 – Topeka, KS - Informational booth – Laurinda Ramonda, Greg Chrislip and Jeff Vogel. Approximately 500 Don't Move Firewood tote bags were distributed.





MEETINGS

- Strategic Food and Agriculture Planning Session #2 July 19-20, 2011 Topeka, KS Laurinda Ramonda
- Strategic Food and Agriculture Planning Workshop August 2-3, 2011 Topeka, KS Laurinda Ramonda, Jeff Vogel, Greg Chrislip, Jon Appel (KDA), Vicki Wohlers, Erin Stiers, Craig Webb (USDA-APHIS-PPQ), Jim Stack, Sharon Dobesh (NPDN).

 These meetings are to help in the production of an overarching agriculture emergency plan and annex development for each program (Plant Protection & Weed Control, Food Contamination and Animal Disease).
- National Plant Board meeting August 7-11, 2011 Denver, Colorado Jeff Vogel attended.
- Continental Dialogue on Non-Native Forest Insects and Diseases meeting October 5-6, 2011 Boulder, Colorado – Laurinda Ramonda
- Central Chapter Horticulture Inspection Society meeting October 18-20, 2011 Rapid City, South Dakota Laurinda Ramonda, Bob Buhler, Greg Chrislip

H.I.S. meeting field trip



TRAINING

• Planning Section Chief training – December 5-8, 2011 – Blue Springs, Missouri – Laurinda Ramonda – This training was paid through Homeland Security funding.

EQUIPMENT

Equipment Planned For

| Laptop computer with docking station, monitor, keyboard, mouse, printer, etc. | \$2,500 |
|---|---------|
| for State Survey Coordinator to replace 3+ year old system | |

Equipment Purchased

| Item | Cost | Date Purchased |
|--|---------|----------------|
| Dell laptop computer with Windows 7, docking station, 2 | \$2,200 | 8/29/11 |
| monitors, Bluetooth mice (1 for traveling & 1 for office), | | |
| Bluetooth keyboard and Dell laser color printer | | |

OTHER

• Central Plant Board National CAPS Committee State Survey Coordinator Representative – Laurinda Ramonda - Three-year term, January 1, 2012-December 31, 2014

Records Submitted to NAPIS (not CAPS)

Pest: ASIAN GYPSY MOTH and GYPSY MOTH (European)

| County | Positive | Negative | |
|--------------|----------|----------|--|
| | | | |
| Ellsworth | 0 | 4 | |
| Franklin | 0 | 6 | |
| Jewell | 0 | 4 | |
| Johnson | 0 | 4 | |
| Leavenworth | 0 | 2 | |
| Miami | 0 | 2 | |
| Mitchell | 0 | 2 | |
| Norton | 0 | 2 | |
| Pottawatomie | 0 | 2 | |
| Rooks | 0 | 2 | |
| Russell | 0 | 6 | |
| Sedgwick | 0 | 4 | |
| | | | |
| State Total | 0 | 40 | |

Records Submitted to IPHIS (not CAPS)

| Survey Name | County Name | Service Activity Date | Activity Action | Trap Type | Lure |
|--------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------|------------|
| | Ellsworth | 4/11/2011 | INSTALL | | |
| Gypsy Moth | Liisworth | 9/1/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | Disparlure |
| | | 4/11/2011 | INSTALL | | |
| Gypsy Moth | Ellsworth | 9/1/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | Disparlure |
| | | 5/10/2011 | INSTALL | | |
| Gypsy Moth | Franklin | 8/18/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | Disparlure |
| | | 5/10/2011 | INSTALL | | |
| Gypsy Moth | Franklin | 8/17/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | Disparlure |
| ~ | | 5/23/2011 | INSTALL | | |
| Gypsy Moth | Franklin | 8/17/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | Disparlure |
| G 1/ 1 | · 11 | 4/20/2011 | INSTALL | - T | - I |
| Gypsy Moth | Jewell | 9/1/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | Disparlure |
| G 1/ 1 | · | 4/20/2011 | INSTALL | 5.1 | - · |
| Gypsy Moth | Jewell | 9/1/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | Disparlure |
| G 1/ 1 | | 5/6/2011 | INSTALL | - T | - I |
| Gypsy Moth | Johnson | 9/8/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | Disparlure |
| G M 1 | Y 1 | 5/11/2011 | INSTALL | D 1: | D: 1 |
| Gypsy Moth | Johnson | 9/1/2011 | REMOVE (MISSING) | Delta | Disparlure |
| C M.1 | T 1 | 5/11/2011 | INSTALL | D. I. | Disparlure |
| Gypsy Moth | Johnson | 9/1/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | |
| Camana Madla | T | 5/12/2011 | INSTALL | Dalta | Disparlure |
| Gypsy Moth | Leavenworth | 7/21/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | |
| Crimari Math | Miami | 5/17/2011 | INSTALL | Delta | Diamanluma |
| Gypsy Moth | MIIaiiii | 9/6/2011 | REMOVE | Dena | Disparlure |
| Crimari Math | Mitchell | 4/20/2011 | INSTALL | Delta | Diamanlama |
| Gypsy Moth | Mitchen | 9/1/2011 | REMOVE | Dena | Disparlure |
| Crimari Math | Nonton | 4/18/2011 | INSTALL | Dolto | Diamanlama |
| Gypsy Moth | Norton | 9/2/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | Disparlure |
| Currey Moth | Pottawatomie | 5/16/2011 | INSTALL | Delta | Disparlure |
| Gypsy Moth | Fottawatonne | 9/7/2011 | REMOVE | Della | Disparture |
| Gunay Moth | Rooks | 4/19/2011 | INSTALL | Delta | Disporturo |
| Gypsy Moth | ROOKS | 8/25/2011 | REMOVE | Della | Disparlure |
| Gypsy Moth | Russell | 4/5/2011 | INSTALL | Delta | Disporturo |
| Gypsy Moui | Kussen | 8/26/2011 | REMOVE | Della | Disparlure |
| Gypsy Moth | Russell | 4/5/2011 | INSTALL | Delta | Disparlure |
| Oypsy Moul | Kussen | 8/26/2011 | REMOVE | Della | Dispariure |
| Gypsy Moth | Russell | 4/5/2011 | INSTALL | Delta | Disparlure |
| Gypsy Moul | Kusseli | 8/26/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | Dispartite |
| Gypsy Moth | Sedgwick | 6/1/2011 | INSTALL | Delta | Disparlure |
| Cypsy Mou | woul seugwick | 10/7/2011 | REMOVE | Delta | Dispariare |
| Gypsy Moth | Sedgwick | 6/1/2011 | INSTALL | Delta | Disparlure |
| Cypsy Mou | Seagwick | 8/18/2011 | REMOVE | Dena | Dispariare |

- B. If appropriate, explain why objectives were not met.*
- C. Where appropriate, explain any cost overruns or unobligated funds in excess of \$1,000. *
- **D.** Supporting Documents

2011 STATE PEST LIST

| Rank | Common Name | Scientific Name | Pest Type |
|----------|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| 1 | Red Imported Fire Ant | Solenopsis invicta | Insect |
| 2 | European Alfalfa Beetle | Subcoccinella | Insect |
| | | vigintiquaturopunctata | |
| 3 | Gypsy Moth | Lymantria dispar | Insect |
| 4/5 | Walnut Twig Beetle | Pityophthorus juglandis | Insect |
| 4/5 | Thousand Cankers Disease | Geosmithia spp. | Fungus |
| 6 | Witch Weed | Striga spp. | Noxious Weed |
| 7 | Asian Longhorned Beetle | Anoplophora glabripennis | Insect |
| 8 | Winter Moth | Operophtera brumata | Insect |
| 9 | Hydrilla | Hydrilla verticillata | Noxious Weed |
| 10 | Oak Splendour Beetle | Agrilus biguttatus | Insect |
| 11 | Black Swallow Wort | Vincetoxicum nigrum | Noxious Weed |
| 12 | False Codling Moth | Thaumaatotibia leucotreta | Insect |
| 13 | Khapra Beetle | Trogoderma granarium | Insect |
| 14 | Giant Salvinia | Salvinia spp. | Noxious Weed |
| 15 | Africanized Honey Bee | Apis mellifera | Insect |
| 16 | Potato Wart | Synchytrium endobioticum | Disease |
| 17/18 | Karnal Bunt | Tilletia indica | Disease |
| 17/18 | Japanese Beetle | Popillia Japonica Newman | Beetle |
| 19 | Mediterranean Cereal Cyst | Heterodera latipons | Nematode |
| | Nematode | | |
| 20 | Potato Cyst Nematode | Globodera pallida | Nematode |
| 21 | Emerald Ash Borer | Agrilus planipennis | Insect |
| 22 | Cereal Cyst Nematode | Heterodera avenae | Nematode |
| 23 | British Root Knot Nematode | Meloidogyne artiellia | Nematode |
| 24 | Formosan Subterranean | Coptotermes formosanus | Insect |
| | Termite | | |
| 25 | Cactus Moth | Cactoblastis cactorum | Insect |
| 26 | Summer Fruit Tortrix | Adoxophyes orana | Insect |
| 27 | Brown Marmorated Stinkbug | Halyomorpha halys | Insect |
| 28 | Whitefringed Beetle | Naupactus spp. | Insect |
| 29/30/31 | Asiatic Garden Beetle | Maladera castanea | Insect |
| 29/30/31 | European Chafer | Rhizotrogus majalis | Insect |
| 29/30/31 | Oriental Beetle | Exomala orientalis | Insect |

2011 STATE COMMODITY LIST

| Rank | Commodity | Sales | Acres |
|------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1 | Wheat | \$1,872,000,000 | 8,400,000 |
| 2 | Forage, Hay | \$514,900,000 | 5,700,000 |
| 3 | Corn | \$3,051,563,000 | 4,850,000 |
| 4 | Soybeans | \$1,657,500,000 | 4,300,000 |
| 5 | Sorghum | \$952,812,000 | 2,350,000 |
| 6 | Sunflower | \$40,788,000 | 139,000 |
| 7 | Forage, Alfalfa | \$279,110,000 | 80,000 |
| 8 | Oats | \$2,750,000 | 65,000 |
| 9 | Cotton | \$34,675,000 | 51,000 |

| 10 | Barley | \$2,750,000 | 10,000 |
|---------|------------------------------------|-------------|--------|
| Sources | 2010 National Agriculture Statisti | cs Service | |

| *indicates information is required per 7 C | FR 3016.40 and 7 CFR 3019.51 | |
|--|------------------------------|---|
| Approved and signed by | | |
| Cooperator | Date: | - |
| ADODR | Date: | - |



Nursery Pest Newsletter

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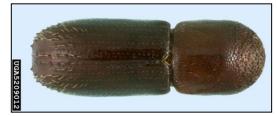
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www.ksda.gov/plant_protection/

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An Unusual Bark Beetle: Xyleborinus saxeseni **Greg Chrislip, State Entomologist**

While conducting a nursery inspection this summer, one of our area inspectors found an interesting scolytid (bark) beetle on some Green Mountain maples. Initially, the beetles were thought to be *Xylosandrus crassiusculus* (called the Asian ambrosia beetle). The beetles lacked the rows of asperities (bumps) found on the front of the pronotum, which are very evident in X. crassiusculus. The most notable feature of an infested plant is the strings of frass sticking out from the trunk of the infested plants. The preferred host plant for these species varies from fruit trees to hardwoods and conifers. With a heavy infestation the plant wilts and eventually dies. There are many records of this beetle in the Kansas entomological holdings at Kansas University, most made by Glen Salisbury the former state entomologist.



Granulate Ambrosia Beetle (Xylosandrus crassiususculus): Note the rows of asperites on the leading edge of the pronotum.



Asian Ambrosia Beetle (*Xyleborinus saxeseni*)



Chains of frass protruding from a tree infested with bark beetles.

Photo: University of Florida

Common Nursery Weeds in Kansas Darin L. Banks, Weed Specialist

It's never too late in the year to think about spring planting. When the early spring days start to warm and the snow melts, many Kansas nurseries find that the once-dormant seeds of many weed species also start to awaken. As any nursery manager can tell you, the control of weedy plants in field and container-grown nursery stock is one of the most labor intensive and costly expenses of plant production. Factors such as nursery stock origin, storage locations, prior weed control practices and environmental variances make weed control especially difficult. Additionally, numerous weedy species may become problematic at the same time. The success of any weed control program begins with the correct identification of weedy species present, in addition to an understanding the plants' life cycles, modes of reproduction and dispersal techniques.

Plant nurseries often have to deal with a wide variety of weedy plant species depending upon what type of production facilities they utilize. Additionally, some

weedy plant species, such as field bindweed and Canada thistle, are state-declared noxious weeds. Nursery stock that is found to be infested with any state -declared noxious weed or quarantined plant species is illegal for sale or distribution within Kansas and must be destroyed once infestations are verified.



Canada thistle plants emerging in the spring from rhizomes infesting field-grown forsythia shrubs

Included below are the state declared noxious weeds and quarantined plant species for Kansas, as well as some of the more common weedy plant species found in field and container-grown nursery stock.

| Kansas Noxious Weeds | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Common Name | Scientific Name | |
| Russian knapweed | Acroptilon repens | |
| bur ragweed | Ambrosia grayi | |
| hoary cress | Cardaria draba | |
| musk thistle | Carduus nutans | |
| Canada thistle | Cirsium arvense | |
| bull thistle ¹ | Cirsium vulgare | |
| field bindweed | Convolvulus arvensis | |
| quackgrass | Elymus repens | |
| leafy spurge | Euphorbia esula | |
| pignut | Hoffmannseggia glauca | |
| sericea lespedeza | Lespedeza cuneata | |
| kudzu | Pueraria montana var. lobata | |
| multiflora rose ¹ | Rosa multiflora | |
| Johnsongrass | Sorghum halepense | |

¹ County-designated noxious weed.

| Kansas Quarantined Plants | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Common Name | Scientific Name | |
| Grecian foxglove | Digitalis lanata | |
| hydrilla ² | Hydrilla verticillata | |
| Japanese bloodgrass ² | Imperata cylindrica | |
| purple loosestrife ³ | Lythrum salicaria | |
| wand loosestrife ³ | Lythrum virgatum | |
| giant salvinia ² | Salvinia spp. | |
| tamarisk / salt cedar | Tamarix spp. | |

² Included from a quarantine of all federal noxious weed species.

| Common Container Weeds | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Common Name | Scientific Name |
| bittercress | Card amine spp. |
| mouse-ear chickweed | Cirsium fontanel ssp. vulgare |
| sandmat | Chamaesyce spp. |
| crabgrass | Digitaria spp. |
| false daisy | Eclipta prostrata |
| green carpetweed | Mollugo verticillata |
| woodsorrel / oxalis | Oxalis spp. |
| annual bluegrass | Poa annua |
| common groundsel | Senecio vulgaris |
| spiny sowthistle | Sonchus asper |
| common chickweed | Stellaria media |

| Common Field Weeds | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Common Name | Scientific Name | |
| velvetleaf | Abutilon theophrasti | |
| Virginia threeseed mercury | Acalypha virginica | |
| pigweed | Amaranthus spp. | |
| annual ragweed | Ambrosia artemisiifolia | |
| great ragweed | Ambrosia trifida | |
| yellow rocket | Barbarea vulgaris | |
| annual brome | Bromus spp. | |
| hedge bindweed | Calystegia sepium | |
| shepherd's purse | Capsella bursa-pastoris | |
| lambsquarters / goosefoot | Chenopodium spp. | |
| common dayflower | Commelina communis | |
| horseweed | Conyza canadensis | |
| yellow nutsedge | Cyperus esculentus | |
| rough barnyardgrass | Echinochloa muricata | |
| spurge | Euphorbia spp. | |
| common bedstraw | Galium aparine | |
| white avens | Geum canadense | |
| ivyleaf morning-glory | Ipomoea hederacea | |
| henbit | Lamium amplexicaule | |
| Virginia pepperweed | Lepidium virginicum | |
| common mallow | Malva neglecta | |
| black medic | Medicago lupulina | |
| common evening primrose | Oenothera biennis | |
| cutleaf evening primrose | Oenothera laciniata | |
| witchgrass | Panicum capillare | |
| plantain | Plantago spp. | |
| smartweed / knotweed | Polygonum spp. | |
| purslane | Portulaca oleracea | |
| Russian thistle | Salsola tragus | |
| foxtail | Setaria spp. | |
| nightshade | Solanum spp. | |
| common dandelion | Taraxacum officinale | |
| clover | Trifolium spp. | |

For more information concerning noxious weeds and quarantined plants please contact us at 785-862-2180 or go to

www.ksda.gov/plant_protection/content/360.

³ Includes all hybrids derived from these species.

Changes to the Plant Pest and Agriculture Certification Act Jeff Vogel, Program Manager

The Plant Pest and Agriculture Commodity Certification Act were amended during the 2011 legislative session.

Most of the amendments are to provide language clarification to parts of the act. Some of the highlighted changes include:

- 1. License requirements for live plant dealers Live plant dealers that do not import or export plants into or from Kansas and have gross receipts from the business of less than \$10,000, are exempt from licensing requirements. To claim the exemption, live plant dealers must annually complete an application stating their locations and sources.
- 2. License fees for live plant dealers are increased from \$60 to \$80.
- 3. The \$15,000 cap on the emergency pest fund is removed.
- 4. The act clarifies the authority of inspectors to enter, place and inspect monitoring equipment (traps), and obtain samples.
- 5. Requires all live plants, handled by a live plant dealer, to be accompanied by a tag, label, bill of lading, receipt or other documentation that identifies the consigner or shipper, a description of the contents, and the point of origin.
- 6. A mechanism is added for the Department to assess mitigation costs to live plant dealers that fail to comply with a regulatory action.
- 7. Increases the maximum civil penalty from \$1,000 to \$2,000 per violation.

Retired Staff



Terry Clarkson the southwest area inspector retired on September 16, 2011. He has more than 23 years of service with the Kansas Department of Agriculture. His first 19 years was with the

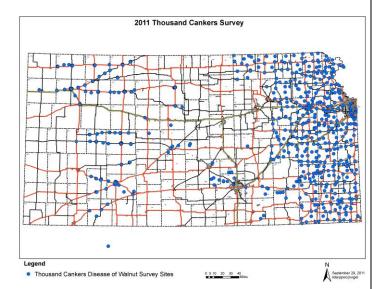
Pesticide and Fertilizer Program and the rest was with the Plant Protection and Weed Control Program.

Trapping and Survey Programs

The national trapping survey for Emerald Ash Borer consisted of 200 traps being set in Kansas for 2011. Of these, 100 were set by the state and 100 were set by USDA-APHIS-PPQ. The traps were put up primarily in campgrounds and event areas from April through September. No EAB was found. For information on the Emerald Ash Borer go to: www.emeraldashborer.info.

There were 2 more eastern states added to the list for thousand cankers disease. On June 24, Virginia and on July 29, Pennsylvania had positive confirmations for the disease. Tennessee is the other eastern state that was positive for the disease in 2010. Other positive states are Colorado and the western United States. We have been visually inspecting walnut trees across the state this year for the walnut twig beetle and thousand cankers disease of walnut and completed 773 observations. So far we have not found it. If you should see walnut trees exhibiting signs of this disease contact our department. For more information, visit our website:

http://www.ksda.gov/plant_protection/content/350/cid/1615



Starting in October, we will be coming to some of your businesses to hang traps to check for the winter moth and doing visual inspections for gypsy moth eggs. The traps will be in place starting in October and taken down in December. For information on the winter moth go to:

 $\frac{http://www.massnrc.org/pests/pestFAQsheets/winter}{\%20moth.html}$

We appreciate the live plant dealers who let us put traps on their property. This type of work is of great importance in protecting Kansas. Early detection will improve the odds of eradication and containment success if the pests are found.

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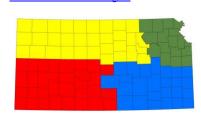
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